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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM CAPACITY INCREASE

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1. EMBASSY REQUESTED OBTAIN NEW SCHEDULES FROM PAN AM LOCAL MANAGER AND TRANSMIT THEM WITH NOTE ALONG FOLLOWING LINES ASAP:

2. "...AND HAS THE HONOR TO INFORM THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT, AS AMENDED, AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH 3(C), (D) AND (E) OF THE MEMORANDUM OF CONSULTATIONS OF DECEMBER 21, 1971 RELATING TO AIR SERVICES BETWEEN THE US AND VENEZUELA, HAS REVIEWED THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED FREQUENCY INCREASE BY PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS AND FINDS IT JUSTIFIED BY THE MARKET AT THIS TIME AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF THE AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT AND SUBPARAGRAPH 3(D) OF THE MEMORANDUM OF CONSULTATION.

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"EFFECTIVE ON OR ABOUT NOVEMBER 1, 1974 PAN AMERICAN PROPOSES TO IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING CHANGES IN ITS SCHEDULE:

A. SUBSTITUTE B-747F FOR B-707-321C AIRCRAFT ON ONE EXISTING ROUNDTRIP FREIGHTER FREQUENCY NEW YORK-CARACAS-SAO PAULO.

B. ADD THREE ROUNDTRIP B-707 FREIGHTER FREQUENCIES BETWEEN MIAMI AND CARACAS.

C. ADD ONE ROUNDTRIP FREIGHTER FREQUENCY BETWEEN MIAMI AND MARACARIBO. THIS FLIGHT WOULD OPERATE VIA BARRANQUILLA IN THE SOUTH BOUND DIRECTION ONLY.

"NEW SCHEDULES REFLECTING THESE CHANGES ARE ENCLOSED FOR THE VENEZUELAN AVIATION AUTHORITIES.

COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE."

3. FYI: PAN AM AND VIASA HAVE REPORTEDLY AGREED TO INCREASE SUBJECT CARGO FREQUENCIES DURING COURSE OF RECENT TALKS. TWO AIRLINES HAVE ALSO CONCLUDED A CAPACITY AGREEMENT COVERING JANUARY-SEPTEMBER 1975. IT IS BEING SUBMITTED TO CAB AND GOV AERONAUTICAL AUTHORITIES FOR APPROVAL. IN VIEW OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN AIRLINES (WHICH SHOULD MOLIFY GOV) AND NOVEMBER 1 DEADLINE, WE BELIEVE IT APPROPRIATE FILE REQUEST FOR INCREASES IN NORMAL MANNER INSTEAD OF ATTEMPTING DISGUISE FLIGHTS AS EXTRA SECTIONS.

4. STATISTICS FOR 12 MONTH PERIOD ENDING JUNE 1974 SHOW PAN AM EXPERIENCING CARGO LOAD FACTORS AS FOLLOWS: 86 PERCENT OVER NEW YORK-CARACAS SECTOR; 73 PERCENT OVER CARACAS-RIO DE JANEIRO SECTOR; 88 PERCENT OVER SAO PAULO-CARACAS SECTOR; 94 PERCENT OVER MIAMI-CARACAS SECTOR. BECAUSE OF CAPACITY OPERATIONS PAA CARGO CARRIAGE BETWEEN US AND CARACAS DURING SAME PERIOD DECREASED BY 3.5 PERCENT. END FYI. INGERSOLL

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